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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/925,234
	Filing Date	August 9, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Yoshiyasu Kubota
	Art Unit	2126
	Examiner Name	L. B. Zhen
	Attorney Docket Number	SONYJP 3.0-196

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
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- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
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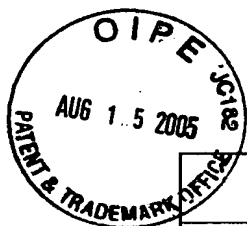
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Invention: ELECTRONIC DEVICE, APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND METHOD OF READING OUT DATA

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 10, 2005, finally rejecting claims 10-18, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: